

Notice of Exemption**Appendix E**

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk

County of: _____

From: (Public Agency): Department of Water Resources
3500 Industrial Blvd
West Sacramento, CA 95691

(Address)

Project Title: Agricultural Road Crossing 4 Fish Passage Project (ARC4)

Project Applicant: James Newcomb

Project Location - Specific:

Tule Canal, south of Sacramento Bypass (38.588539, -121.585911)

Project Location - City: West Sacramento Project Location - County: Yolo

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

ARC4 (Proposed Project) would remove a known fish passage impediment from the Tule Canal. The existing earthened agricultural road crossing would be completely removed and replaced with a bridge that maximizes open flow area and provides continued agricultural equipment and vehicle access across the Tule Canal. Fish passage at this location would be unrestricted after the construction of the Proposed Project.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Water Resources

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: California Department of Water Resources

Exempt Status: **(check one):**

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: 15333 Small Habitat Restoration Projects
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

The Proposed Project fits the requirements for utilizing Categorical Exemption 15333 Small Habitat Restoration Projects. The Proposed Project is less than 5 acres, would not have significant adverse impacts to special status species, would not disturb known hazardous materials, and would not contribute to adverse cumulative impacts. The Proposed Project would improve fish passage opportunities in the Tule Canal and the Yolo Bypass as a whole.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Kaylee Vanni Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 916-375-4269

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature: *James Newcomb* Date: 7/15/2021 Title: EPM1

▪ Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____